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ber of first-class passengers who have been under observation for fifteen days prior to departure. Sugar is still shipped to the coast under the precautions already noted, but some other articles of export, notably bananas, are seeking an outlet, and I can not see that there can be much objection to shipping them from clean plantations.

The system of house-to-house inspection in Honolulu by volunteer inspectors has been changed so that the work is now performed by a corps of paid inspectors.

The situation here looks better, and it is hoped that the worst is past.

I shall forward a statement relative to the amount of antipest serum and prophylactic furnished to the Hawaiian board of health by the next mail.

Respectfully, D. A. CARMICHAEL,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Prospect fair in Honolulu.

[Cablegram.]

HONOLULU, H. I., *March 23, 1900,*
via San Francisco, Cal., April 2, 1900.

There is nothing new to report. Prospect fair.

CARMICHAEL,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

IRELAND.

Reports from Queenstown.

QUEENSTOWN, IRELAND, *March 17, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report on the transactions at this port for the week ended to-day, as follows:

Date.	Vessels.	Destination.	Passengers.			Crew.	Cargo.
			Saloon.	Second cabin.	Steerage.		
Mar. 11	Steamship Campania	New York	2	16	143	0	0
Mar. 15	Steamship Teutonic	do	6	17	214	0	0
Do	Steamship Belgenland	Philadelphia	0	7	63	2	0
	Total		8	40	420	2	0

Respectfully, J. H. OAKLEY,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

QUEENSTOWN, IRELAND, *March 24, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report on the transactions at this port for the week ended to-day as follows:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Passengers.			Crew.	Cargo.
			Saloon.	Second cabin.	Steerage.		
Mar. 18	Steamship Bovic (a)	New York	0	0	0	0	0
Mar. 22	Steamship Germanic	do	8	0	165	0	0
	Total		8	0	165	0	0

a Steamship Bovic called for mails only.

Respectfully,

J. H. OAKLEY,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine Hospital Service.

ITALY.

Quarantine against Brazilian ports revoked.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *March 24, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose copy of a note from the Italian ambassador at this capital advising the Department of a sanitary ordinance issued by his Government.

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

[Inclosure—Translation.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., *March 19, 1900.*

SIR: Referring to my preceding note of the 1st instant, I have the honor to communicate to your excellency the following telegram, which I have just received from the royal minister of the interior:

"ROME, *March 19, 1900.*

"*Italian embassy, Washington:*

"By ordinance of to-day (March 19, 1900), No. 9, ordinance No. 3, of February 6, 1900, with regard to vessels coming from ports in Brazil, inclusive of Bahia, has been revoked.

"BERTOLINI."

Accept, etc.,

FAVA.

Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

Report from Genoa—Vessels from infected ports.

GENOA, ITALY, *March 19, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith abstract of bills of health and the regular report for the week ended March 18, 1900: March 13, steamship *Manila*, Navigazione General Italiana, for New York; 69 steerage passengers and 77 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed. March 15, steamship *Aller*, North German Lloyd Line, for New York; 28 cabin and 113 steerage passengers and 102 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed.

Of the 9 vessels that sailed from this port to the United States this week there were 2 whose itinerary for the last four months is perhaps of more than ordinary interest, since it included visits to infected places. The Italian steamship *Manila* in December discharged a cargo of grain and hides here which was loaded at Bombay. There was no communi-